



ELIGIBILITY TRENDS DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS



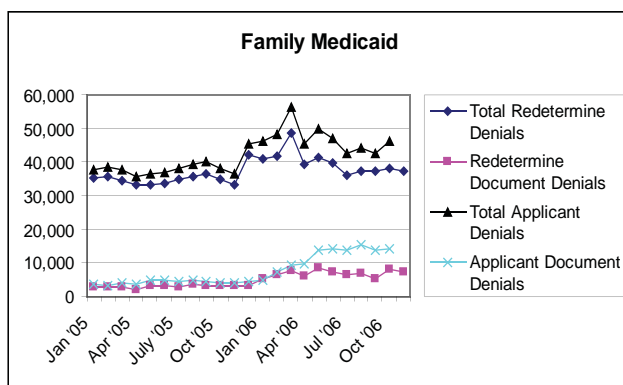
Overview

Concern has been raised about the effects of recent changes in documentation requirements and their affects on enrollment of children in Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids (PCK). In January 2006, the State of Georgia began requiring that Medicaid applicants and recipients verify their income and American citizenship. Georgia received further guidance as a result of The Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (DRA) regarding the documentary evidence required before Medicaid eligibility is granted or renewed. This new guidance became effective July 1, 2006. The DRA provisions require that a person submit evidence of both citizenship and identity.

The DRA specifies certain forms of acceptable evidence of citizenship and identity, and provides for the use of additional forms of documentation as established by federal regulations, when appropriate. The following reflects actual data regarding those policy changes.

Trends in Eligibility Determinations for Family Medicaid

The following graph depicts the trends in eligibility determinations for Family Medicaid, which include Low Income Medicaid and Right from the Start Medicaid. The graph includes all members in the group, adults and children, through November 2006.



Enrollment of Children in Family Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids

The next graph depicts actual enrolment of children in Family Medicaid and PCK.

